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# **24-HOUR REPORT**

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## (U) CALIFORNIA

## (U) Antioch – Man Arrested in Drive-By Shooting of Firefighter and Paramedic

(U) Darryon Williams, 26, was arrested in Richmond on suspicion of attempted murder in the drive-by shooting incident that injured a firefighter and a paramedic in Antioch. Police said that while the first responders were caring for a patient, a silver SUV drove by and someone inside fired shots at them. The vehicle drove by a second time and someone inside fired a second series of shots. A 31-year-old firefighter was shot in the foot and a 58-year-old paramedic was shot in the leg. Both men are being treated for injuries at local hospitals, where they are in stable condition, and are expected to survive. SOURCE: 22 February 2021, NBC Bay Area

# (U) San Francisco – Man Charged with Selling Half-Pound of Meth, Guns to Informants

(U) Jesus Baeza-Corona, 24, has been arrested and charged with distributing methamphetamine after he allegedly met up with federal informants outside of a local cafe last year to sell meth and guns, a federal charge that carries a minimum of five-years in prison and a maximum 40-year term. The charging records allege that on six occasions in July, August, and October 2020, he met up with undercover informants with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) to either sell them drugs or guns. The informants bought two ounces of methamphetamine on four separate occasions, and two pistols, according to the criminal complaint.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, Mercury News

### (U) Stanford – Researcher Charged with Destroying Evidence of Chinese Military Affiliation

(U) A Chinese woman who is a visiting medical researcher at Stanford University has been charged with destroying evidence to conceal her affiliation with China's armed forces. Song Chen was charged in July 2020 with visa fraud for allegedly lying to US immigration officials in 2018 about her ongoing employment with hospitals controlled by the Chinese military. A new indictment accused her of destroying records, including two online photos of her in military uniform, and of deleting potentially incriminating emails after the first charge was filed.

SOURCE: 19 February 2021, SF Chronicle

# (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

# (U) Texas – US Border Patrol Apprehends More Than 200 Individuals in Tractor-Trailers

(U) Laredo – Beginning on 19 February through 22 February, human smugglers attempted to use tractor-trailers to smuggle people from the countries of Brazil, Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras through different Laredo Sector checkpoints. In each incident, the vigilance of agents, along with Service canines, foiled these attempts. All the concealed individuals were found to be illegally present in the US. In all three events the individuals, along with the drivers who were US citizens, were placed under arrest pending further investigation.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, CBP

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### (U) NATIONAL

# (U) Arkansas – Police Officer Expected to Fully Recover After Shooting

(U) Lonoke – Authorities say an Arkansas police officer who was shot multiple times during a confrontation at a fast-food restaurant with a man suspected of kidnapping a 14-year-old North Carolina girl is expected to make a full recovery. Police say the officer that was shot, and his partner confronted William Robert Ice, 38, outside of a McDonald's restaurant. Ice was accused of kidnapping the girl from her North Carolina home. Ice was later found dead of a suspected self-inflicted gunshot wound. Police say the girl was inside the vehicle at the time of the shootout but was not injured. SOURCE: 22 February 2021, 4029 TV News

## (U) Florida – Victims Claim Navy Base Mass Shooter had Accomplices, Help from Saudi Arabia

(U) Pensacola – Families of three slain US service members and 13 others wounded in a mass shooting at Naval Air Station Pensacola in 2019 alleged that the government of Saudi Arabia facilitated the attack that US authorities concluded was an act of international terrorism. A complaint in federal court makes startling new allegations that the shooter, Royal Saudi Air Force 2nd Lt. Ahmed Mohammed al-Shamrani, executed the attack with the support of "accomplices." Those included fellow Saudi air force trainees, who he told of his plans at a dinner the night before and during a November visit to the 9/11 memorial in New York City to pay tribute to the hijackers, the plaintiffs alleged.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, Washington Post

# (U) Florida – US Coast Guard Crew Seizes \$82 Million Worth of Cocaine

(U) Miami – The US Coast Guard said one of its crews seized nearly \$82 million worth of cocaine while on a recent patrol in the Caribbean Sea. During the 43-day patrol, the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Thetis interdicted three drug boats and seized close to 6,000-pounds of cocaine, the Coast Guard reported. In one case, the Thetis crew used a helicopter to stop a go-fast boat by firing on the boat's outboard engine, the Coast Guard said. The stop resulted in the crew seizing about 1,220-pounds of cocaine and apprehending three suspected drug smugglers.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, Miami Herald

#### (U) Indiana – Inmate Accused of Attacking Guards, Fatally Stabbing One

(U) Michigan City – An inmate has been accused of fatally stabbing a corrections officer and injuring a second at a prison in Indiana, authorities said. The incident occurred at Indiana State Prison in Michigan City, both officers were taken to St. Anthony's Hospital in Michigan City where one officer was pronounced dead on arrival, according to police. The second officer was in serious condition, police said. Tymetri Campbell, 38, who is an inmate at Indiana State Prison, faces several charges, including murder pending investigation, police said. No other details were immediately available.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, NBC News

# (U) Virginia – Wife of Senior Sinaloa Cartel Leader Arrested on International Drug Trafficking Charges

(U) Dulles – Emma Coronel Aispuro, 31, wife of Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman Loera, leader of a Mexican drug trafficking organization known as the Sinaloa Cartel is alleged to have conspired with others to assist Guzman in his 11 July 2015 escape from Altiplano prison. After Guzman was re-arrested in Mexico in January 2016, Coronel Aispuro is alleged to have engaged in planning yet another prison escape with others prior to Guzman's extradition to the US in January 2017. Cornel Aispuro is charged in a one count criminal complaint with a conspiracy to distribute one-kilogram or more of heroin, five-kilograms or more of cocaine, 1,000-kilograms or more of marijuana, and 500-grams or more of methamphetamines for unlawful importation into the US.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, US DoJ

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#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

# (U) Germany - Far-right Incidents Surge in German Military

(U) Berlin – The number of suspected far-right incidents in the German military surged to 477 last year from 363 in 2019, parliament's commissioner for the military said. The report comes at a time of broader concerns that Germany has not done enough to tackle right-wing extremism within its Bundeswehr military in general. The country's special forces, the KSK, have faced scrutiny after numerous allegations of far-right extremism in recent years. As a consequence of far-right scandals involving the special forces, the defense minister disbanded one of the KSK's units in July and vowed to further investigate extremism and implement reforms.

SOURCE: 23 February 2021, AP News

# (U) Nigeria – Boko Haram, Other Terrorists Kill More Than 1,500 in First Six Weeks of 2021

(U) Abuja – More than 1,500 people have died in Nigeria in the first six weeks of 2021 due to general insecurity including terrorist attacks from the Nigerian Islamist terror group Boko Haram and kidnappings, local media reported on Monday. Local media described the 1,525 death tally as a "conservative" estimate because it "covers only reported cases arising from the Boko Haram insurgency, banditry, herdsmen crisis, kidnapping, communal and cult clashes, armed robbery, and brutality of security agents among others." Nigeria currently ranks as the third-most impacted country by terrorism in the world after Afghanistan and Libya, according to the 2020 Global Terrorism Index. SOURCE: 23 February 2021, Breitbart

## (U) Philippines - Nine Women Linked to Abu Sayyaf Suicide Bombing Plot Arrested

(U) Sulu – At least nine women, including the three daughters of the acting Abu Sayyaf Group leader, have been arrested in a series of raids, the Philippines military said on Tuesday, as the government steps up efforts to go after armed fighters accused of carrying out a string of deadly bombings in the southern province of Sulu. The Joint Task Force Sulu said in a statement that weapons and bomb-making materials were seized from the women, who the government described as "potential suicide bombers". SOURCE: 23 February 2021, Al Jazeera

#### (U) Sweden - Man Charged with Spying for Russia

(U) Stockholm – Swedish prosecutors charged a 47-year-old man with spying for Russia by handing over information for several years to a Russian diplomat in return for money. The man had worked for Swedish industrial groups Volvo Cars and truck-maker Scania and had just received \$3,355 when he was arrested in February 2019 as he met with a Russian intelligence officer. The prosecution alleged that the man illegally transferred material from his work computer to his private computer and thereafter to USB memory sticks. To hide his activities from being logged by the IT system, he also photographed material from the screen of his work computer, it said.

SOURCE: 22 February 2021, ABC News

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